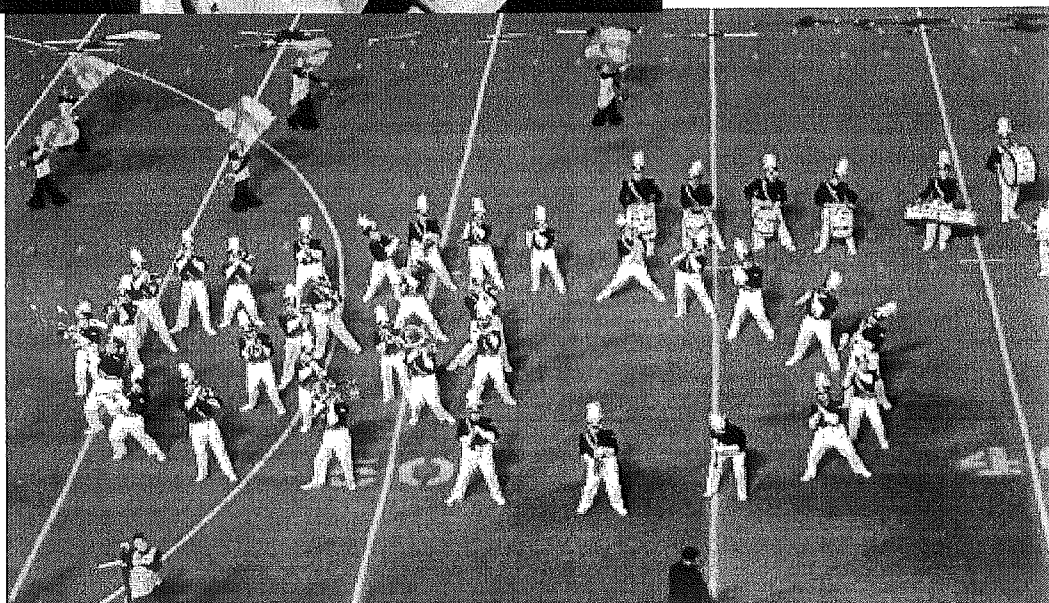


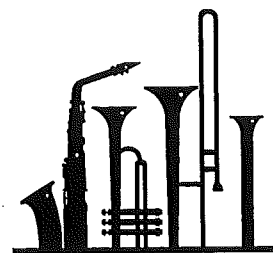
**RESERVOIR  
HIGH SCHOOL**

**MARCHING  
BAND  
2010**



# RESERVOIR HIGH SCHOOL BAND DEPARTMENT

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Matthew S. Dubbs, Director

June 14, 2010

Dear Marching Band Members and Parents,

I am sure that you all are looking forward to a rest-filled and relaxing summer. Even though the last thing on your mind is returning to school, the time has come for us to make serious preparations for this coming school year's activities. There are many exciting opportunities awaiting us this year. The members of last year's Marching Gators have set an extremely high level of achievement, so the expectations are high to continue in our great tradition in this community. I look forward to seeing who will step up into a leadership role. Each of us must renew our COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE, and give the utmost of our skills, talent, concentration, and enthusiasm so that the entire program will be up to the standards that we expect... and beyond.

There are many challenges awaiting us: the excitement of a new year, Band Camp, producing an outstanding competitive marching band field show, performing at home football games and in competitions, and growing together as a unit. Enclosed is important information that needs your prompt attention in every detail. This packet includes:

- Summer Schedule
- March-a-thon Information
- Band Camp Survival Guide
- Band Shoe/Glove Information
- Uniform Information
- USSBA Ticket Information
- 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Dinner and Performance Ticket Order Form
- Parent Chaperone Sign-up Sheet
- 2010-2011 Marching Band Calendar (July 2010-November 2010; Students will receive the rest of the music department calendar upon their return to school)
- Marching Band Roster as of 6/14 (to help in arranging car pools)
- Marching Band Music Info: PLEASE START PRACTICING AND MEMORIZING!!
  - It is our hope that the complete show will be available around mid-July on the Reservoir Music website ([www.rhsmusic.wikispaces.com](http://www.rhsmusic.wikispaces.com)). If the entire show is not available by that time, a portion will be. Keep checking back for updates!
    - The RHS Music website is a great way to stay informed of upcoming events and activities in the department. It also contains the current calendar, syllabi, and Booster information.
  - All students must download their part and print it out for practicing purposes.

Please pay close attention to all of these items. If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail or call me. Be ready for that first day of camp as we will be having a music memorization test. Have a great summer! I look forward to working with each of you as we begin our eighth Marching Band season!

Enthusiastically,

Matthew S. Dubbs  
Director of Bands, RHS

## **Summer Marching Rehearsal Schedule**

**July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup>, July 29<sup>th</sup>**

**ALL REHEARSALS WILL BE HELD FROM 6:00-9:00 PM.**

There will be a make-up rehearsal on **August 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM**

In addition to the aforementioned rehearsals, Drumline and Colorguard will have weekly rehearsals throughout the summer. The dates and times will be announced at their individual meetings.

All members must attend at least 2 summer rehearsals. You do not need to bring your instruments for these clinics, but you do need them for band camp! If you cannot make one of your scheduled rehearsals, contact your section leader to arrange another time to meet. **ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN AT EVERY REHEARSAL!** If, after two clinics, you feel you need more practice, you are encouraged to attend another rehearsal.

### **DRUM CORPS INTERNATIONAL**

Watching DCI bands perform is an incredible opportunity for marching band members- the groups demonstrate excellence and embody what we as a band desire to accomplish. It is recommended that all band members attend this event. The Drum Corps in Northern Virginia show will be on Saturday, July 24, 2010 at Kip Hull Field (Liberty High School) featuring some of the top Drum Corps from around the country. The show starts at 7:00 PM and tickets cost \$20 with a group of 25 or more (\$25-\$35 individually). If there is enough interest, we will plan on organizing bus transportation to and from this event (departing from Reservoir HS), and bus fare will be approximately \$10 per person (depending on how many attend this event).

### **MOVIE NIGHT**

This year we will be holding our fifth annual movie night on **Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup> from 7-11 pm**. Movie night is a fun way for band members to bond and get to know each other outside of marching band rehearsal. We will vote for a movie during the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **MARCH-A-THON**

This year, we will be having the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Reservoir High School Marching Gators March-a-thon. Marching band members will be soliciting sponsorships from friends, relatives, or anyone with a checkbook in order to raise money for every mile marched during band camp. Sponsors can pledge specific dollar amounts for each mile that students march throughout band camp, or sponsors can donate a flat amount. 25 sponsors will be randomly selected to receive a pass to watch the award-winning Reservoir High School Marching Gators at a home football game. Sections and individual students that raise the most money will receive various fantastic awards. Students can start raising funds immediately, until the first day of band camp. A pledge sheet is due the first day of band camp. Students are expected to raise a minimum of \$50 and get at least 10 sponsors.

## MARCHING BAND CAMP SURVIVAL GUIDE

The Reservoir Marching Gators Band Camp will be a most challenging and rewarding experience. You must begin preparing yourself for this event NOW by learning the music included with this packet.

As stated on the Marching Band Calendar, the dates and times for Band Camp are as follows:

Monday, August 9 through Friday, August 13	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Monday, August 16 through Thursday, August 19	1:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Friday, August 20	1:00 PM – 5:30 PM

END-OF-BAND CAMP Dinner and Performance 6:00 PM, Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

*It is important that all members follow these guidelines:*

- Wear ATHLETIC SHOES. No sandals, other open-toed shoes, or platforms!
- Wear a HAT, SUNGLASSES, and LIGHT WEIGHT/LIGHT COLORED CLOTHING.
- Apply plenty of SUNSCREEN. Bring a bottle to camp for reapplications throughout the day.
- Bring WATER in a small thermos. Each member needs to supply his/her own water container.
- Pack a bag LUNCH/DINNER, to be eaten during a 45 minute minimum break during the day. All members must stay on campus during the break. You may also want to bring a small snack to eat during shorter breaks.
- You will need at least one 50-COUNT pack of WIRE BOUND 3x5 INDEX CARDS, STRING to hang the cards off your shoulder or neck, and a PENCIL (no pens) in addition to your INSTRUMENT and MUSIC.

BE PREPARED TO SPEND HOURS IN THE SUN, THE HEAT, THE RAIN, AND THE COLD!!!  
NOTHING GETS IN THE WAY OF THE RESERVOIR GATORS MARCHING BAND!

## **BAND SHOES/GLOVES**

In order for the group to look like the Reservoir Marching Band, we must look sharp, precise, and uniform. CB Enterprises, Inc. will be at Reservoir High School during Band Camp to take shoe/glove fittings and orders. The shoe and glove fitter usually comes on the first Wednesday of Band Camp, however nothing has been confirmed. Definite notification will be announced on the first day of Band Camp.

Please bring cash or a check made payable to CB Enterprises, Inc.

Shoes:           \$29.00

Gloves:         \$2.00 per pair (It is recommended that each student purchases 2 pair of gloves)

*These prices are only good for the fitting day. Orders placed after this date will be subject to shipping and handling charges.*

## **UNIFORM RENTAL**

The Marching Band uniforms will need to be periodically dry-cleaned throughout the season. Because of this, the Music Boosters are requiring a \$25 Uniform Rental Fee. Please make checks payable to Reservoir High School Music Boosters, and have them turned in to Mr. Dubbs by Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>.

You will not be fitted for a uniform until the fee is paid; therefore, a late payment may result in a uniform that does not fit as well as if paid on time.

## **USSBA COMPETITIONS**

Throughout the fall marching band season, the band will participate in several United States Scholastic Band Association (USSBA) competitions. The band needs to sell a certain amount of tickets per competition, guaranteeing their participation in the competitions. Our devoted marching band fanatics are able to pre-order tickets through the Music Department, however. Ticket prices vary with the competition, and we do not receive prices or tickets until approximately a week before the competition. So, get your tickets early, guarantee your seats, and support the Marching Gators!

## 8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SUMMER DINNER AND PERFORMANCE

Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

Picnic Dinner 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Marching Band Debut Performance 7:30

Please join us for an evening of food, music, and fun, as we cap off the end of Band Camp with a family style picnic dinner including hamburgers, grilled chicken, veggie burgers, hot dogs, and beverages, followed by the end of band camp performance by the Reservoir Gators Marching Band! Come out and see what our members can achieve in just two short weeks of Band Camp!

Tickets cost \$8 per person (children 3 and under eat free, as do marching band members!), and can be turned in during Band Camp until Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.



Order forms will be passed out during the first day of band camp.

## PARENT CHAPERONES

With all of the activities in which the Marching Band participates, the need for parent chaperones is a great one. Chaperones on the Pit Crew help transport equipment on and off the field for half-time performances and competitions, load trucks for competitions, and gather equipment for the pit, Drumline, and Guard. In addition, chaperones assist in transporting the Drum Major Stand, aiding with uniforms, securing personal belongings, giving minor first aid, accompanying students on busses, and fixing any little unexpected emergencies. The chaperones play a crucial role in the Band's success.

Please consider becoming a chaperone for the Marching Gators! Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Without chaperones, the band cannot go on. If you have the passion, the enthusiasm, and the time to help out, please think about joining us this season.

If you are interested in being a chaperone this season, please fill out and return the form below and you will receive a call from our volunteer coordinator.

CHAPERONE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your time and cooperation!*

# July 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 MB Clinic 6 PM—9 PM	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Independence Day						
11	12	13 MB Clinic 6 PM—9 PM	14	15	16 MB Movie Night 7 PM—11 PM	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 MB Clinic 6 PM—9 PM	30	31



Reservoir High School Music Department

# August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Make-up MB Clinic 9 AM—12 PM
8	9 Band Camp 9 AM—5 PM	10 Band Camp 9 AM—5 PM	11 Band Camp 9 AM—5 PM	12 Band Camp 9 AM—5 PM	13 Band Camp 9 AM—5 PM	14
15	16 Band Camp 1 PM—9 PM	17 Band Camp 1 PM—9 PM	18 Band Camp 1 PM—9 PM	19 Band Camp 1 PM—9 PM	20 End of Band Camp 1 PM—5:30 PM Dinner @ 6	21
22	23 Drumline and Colorguard Camp Time-TBA	24 Drumline and Colorguard Camp Time-TBA	25 Drumline and Colorguard Camp Time-TBA	26 Drumline and Colorguard Camp Time-TBA	27 Drumline and Colorguard Camp Time-TBA	28 Marching Band Car Wash 9 AM—3 PM (All MB members need to work the car wash)
29	30 School begins for students	31 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA				

# September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	2 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	3 Countywide Professional Development Day Schools closed for students	4
5	6 Labor Day	7 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	8 Drumline Rehearsal TBA Colorguard Rehearsal TBA	9 Rosh Hashanah	10 Home Football Game v. Glenelg 7pm	11 MB Competition @ Northwestern HS Approx times 10am-10pm
12	13 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	14 Primary Election Schools and offices closed	15 Mandatory Parent Meeting 7:30 PM Auditorium	16 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	17 Home Football Game v. Mount Hebron 3pm	18
19	20 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	21 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA Makeup Parent Meeting 7:30 PM	22	23 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	24	25 MB Competition @ Westminster HS Approx times 10am-10pm
26	27 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	28 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA	29	30 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM		

# October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	5 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA	6	7 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	8	9 MB Competition @ Centennial HS Approx times 10am-10pm
10	11 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	12 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA Music Booster Meeting 7:30pm	13	14 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	15 Home Football Game v. Oakland Mills 7pm <b>MSEA Covention</b> Schools closed for students	16 MB State Championships @ Towson Univ. Approx times 10am-10pm
17	18 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	19 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA	20	21 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	22	23 Homecoming RHS v. Wilde Lake Time TBA Parade in AM
24	25 Drumline Rehearsal TBA	26 Colorguard Rehearsal TBA	27	28 MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	29	30
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# November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Drumline Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	2  <b>General Election</b> Schools and Offices closed	3  MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	4  MB Rehearsal 6:30 PM—9 PM	5 Home Football Game v. Marriotts Ridge <b>Professional Development/Work Day</b> Schools closed for students	6 MB National Championships @ Naval Stadium Approx times 10am- 10pm
7  MB National Championships @ Naval Stadium	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17  MB Banquet 6:30 PM—9 PM	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				